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The entire premise of these allegations is flawed!

There are gross factual errors in the complaint, in the statement of the case, in the factual /legal analysis, the argument presented "that there was coordination" the coordination issue and in the statement of applicable law "Buckley vs. Valeo does apply, other constitutional questions clearly exist!.

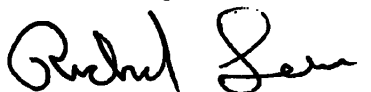
The fact that I have been denied access to interrogatories and depositions involved with this complaint including my own deposition, warnings by the F.E.C. that I could not discuss the case in combination with the passage of time "almost four years" present an unreasonable obstacle to clarifying the facts: I did not violate 2 U.S.C. ~ 441a(f) or any other assertion of violation stated against me regarding MUR 4012.

I have made every effort to cooperate with your investigation and respectfully ask that the commission reexamine my prior written responses and my deposition which could have facilitated a more timely response to this brief but would not resolve the questions discussed in the previous paragraph regarding the ultimate disposition of Mur 4012 if it must be settled in court.

I did at no time participate in nor did I authorize any agent of my campaign to write, participate in writing, funding, or distributing any materials other than those paid for by my committee . In fact my choice of Mr. Ed Parker as my campaign manager involved a clear understanding that my campaign committee would be a standalone committee. My choice of Mr. Parker as my campaign manager and our agreement that The Lewis For Congress Committee would be a standalone committee occurred prior to my becoming a candidate "attaining any of the four hundred signatures" required by Kentucky election laws. The fact that my committee would be a stand alone committee was made clear regularly at organizational meetings and to volunteers. I chose Mr. Parker as my campaign manager because he was a retired professional engineer who had previously run for federal office.

I have had nearly four years to reflect on election laws as a result of Mur 4012. I believe serious constitutional questions involving the 14th, 1st, 7th, 6th amendments and potentially others because of 14th amendment precedents/questions now exist regarding the nature of such complaints. Those questions evolve from but are not limited to globaliztion, the diminishing/monopoly ownership of the press which are exempt from state and federal election laws including more than 170 foreign owned newspapers and some cable T.V. networks.

Sincerely



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